## **CLAIMS**

## What is claimed is:

- 1. A method of playing a card game comprising the steps of:
  - (a) providing a deck of playing cards comprising:
    - (i) a standard deck of playing cards wherein the Jacks, Queens, and Kings have been revalued; and
    - (ii) a wild card;
  - (b) providing a player with an option to wager on playing Twenty-One or Poker or both;
  - (c) means for said player to wager to play Twenty-One and Poker;
  - (d) dealing two cards from said deck to said player and dealing a card from said deck to a dealer; and
  - (e) means for said player to play the conventional game of Twenty-One and play the conventional game of Poker, with a modification that the total value of a Poker hand may not exceed 21.
- 2. The method of claim 1 wherein said Jacks are revalued as 2, said Queens are revalued as 3, and said Kings are revalued as 4 and said wild card is a Joker.
- 3. The method of claim 2 further comprising the step of paying said player an amount based on pre-determined odds in relation to said wager if said player wins.
- 4. The method of claim 3 wherein said deck includes 53 cards.
- 5. The method of claim 4 wherein the conventional game of Twenty-One is modified such that said player may not make an insurance wager and may not split pairs.
- 6. The method of claim 5 wherein the conventional game of Twenty-One is modified such that said player may double down on any two to five cards.

- 7. The method of claim 6 wherein the conventional game of Twenty-One is modified such that said dealer must hit if the value of said dealer's hand is less than soft or hard 18.
- 8. The method of claim 7 wherein the conventional game of Twenty-One is modified such that said dealer must stand if the value of said dealer's hand is soft or hard 18 or greater.
- 9. The method of claim 8 wherein the conventional game of Twenty-One is modified such that said player may receive a maximum of six cards.
- 10. The method of claim 9 wherein said pre-determined odds for Twenty-One are as follows:
  - paying said player three-to-one odds if said player has a Blackjack, even if said dealer also has a Blackjack;
  - (b) paying said player two-to-one odds if said player has a hand comprising five or six cards, excluding said Joker, having a total value of 21; and
  - (c) paying said player one-to-one odds if said player has a hand having a higher value than said dealer.
- 11. The method of claim 10 wherein the conventional game of Poker is further modified such that said player may draw as many cards as said player requests.
- 12. The method of claim 11 wherein the conventional game of Poker is further modified such that said Joker is a wild card.
- 13. The method of claim 12 wherein said pre-determined odds for Poker are as follows:

Winning Poker Combination Pre-determined Odds

| Royal Flush plus Joker                                    | 1000-to-1           |
|---|---------------------|
| Five of a Kind (including Joker)                          | 200 -to-1           |
| Royal Flush   | 100-to-1            |
| Straight Flush  | 50-to-1             |
| Four of a Kind  | 20-to-1             |
| Full House  | 11-to-1             |
| Flush   | 9-to-1              |
| Straight  | 6-to-1              |
| Winning Poker Combination                                 | Pre-determined Odds |
| Three of a Kind   | 4-to-1              |
| Two Pair  | 3-to-1              |
| A Pair of 9s or 10s                                       | 2-to-1              |
| A Pair Aces to 8s or a pair of<br>Jacks, Queens, or Kings | 1-to-1              |

14. The method of claim 1 further comprising an option for said player to wager on playing a Bonus Game wherein the rules of said Bonus Game is substantially the same as the rules of Poker with the exception that said pre-determined odds for said Bonus game are higher than that of Poker.

15. The method of claim 14 wherein said pre-determined odds for said Bonus Game are as follows:

| Winning Poker Combination         | Pre-determined Odds |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|
| Royal Flush plus Joker            | 1,000,000-to-1      |
| Five of a Kind (including Joker)  | 1000-to-1           |
| Royal Flush                       | 500-to-1e           |
| Straight Flush                    | 200-to-1            |
| Four of a Kind                    | 50-to-1             |
| Full House                        | 20-to-1             |
| Flush                             | 20-to-1             |
| Straight                          | 10-to-1             |
| Winning Poker Combination         | Pre-determined Odds |
| Three of a Kind                   | 5-to-1              |
| Two Pair                          | 4-to-1              |
| A Pair of 9s or 10s               | 3-to-1              |
| A Pair of Aces to 8s or a pair of | -                   |

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| Jacks, Queens, or Kings |  |
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- 16. The method of claim 15 further comprising an option to wager on playing said Bonus Game and Twenty-One.
- 17. The method of claim 16 wherein said player is paid a value based on said predetermined odds in relation to said wager for said Bonus Game of claim 15 and a value based on said pre-determined odds in relation to said wager for Twenty-One of claim 10 if said player wins.
- 18. The method of claim 15 further comprising an option for said player to wager on playing said Bonus Game and Poker.
- 19. The method of claim 18 wherein said player is paid a value based on said predetermined odds in relation to said wager for said Bonus Game of claim 15 and a value based on said pre-determined odds in relation to said wager for Poker of claim 13 if said player wins.
- 20. The method of claim 15 further comprising an option to wager on playing said Bonus Game, Poker, and Twenty-One wherein said player is paid a value based on said pre-determined odds in relation to said wager for said Bonus Game of claim 15, a value based on said pre-determined odds in relation to said wager for Poker of claim 13, and a value based on said pre-determined odds in relation to said wager for Twenty-One of claim 10 if said player wins.